
Site Address: 12 Stephen Close, Waterloooville, PO8 8BE
Proposal: Reduce height by 2.5m and sides by 2m 2No. Common Oaks; reduce height of 1No. Hawthorn by 2m. All trees within G1 subject to TPO 1206.
Application No: APP/15/01419 Expiry Date: 16/02/2016
Applicant: Mr Keith Churchill Team: Team 2
Agent: Mr Simon Jordan Case Officer: Jamie Gargett
 Jordan Tree Surgery
Ward: Cowplain

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

1 Site Description

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2 Planning History

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3 Proposal

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4 Policy Considerations

Havant Borough Local Plan (Core Strategy) March 2011

DM8 (Conservation, Protection and Enhancement of Existing Natural Features)

Listed Building Grade: Not applicable.

Conservation Area: Not applicable.

5 Statutory and Non Statutory Consultations

6 Community Involvement

This application was publicised in accordance with the Council's Code of Practice for Publicity of Planning Applications approved at minute 207/6/92 (as amended), as a result of which the following publicity was undertaken:

Number of neighbour notification letters sent: 12

Number of site notices: 1

Statutory advertisement: Not applicable.

Number of representations received: 0

7 Planning Considerations

- 7.1 Having regard to the relevant policies of the development plan it is considered that the main issues arising from this application are:

My inspection related specifically to assessing the proposed works rather than generally inspecting the tree's health and condition in any great detail. I visually inspected the tree from ground level and the following report deals with the relevant issues that have been raised on site, in the application form and from my site observations.

The trees at subject of this application are two Oaks growing co-dominantly and a Hawthorn in a small rear garden of a residential dwelling. The two Oaks had some deadwood in their crowns and showed evidence of previous management through old cut points. These tree's as well as all the others in the area have needed to be pruned back hard due to the surrounding buildings being so near. The work proposed for these trees in this application would be considered reasonable as to manage them as long as the work does not exceed past previous pruning points.

The hawthorn was showing signs of normal vigour and vitality and also had previous pruning points visible to which would be suitable to prune back to without causing detriment.

The work proposed for the trees in this application should be considered as maintenance regarding the space they have in their location and should not have a negative impact on the public amenity value of the area, nor on the health of the trees.

8 Conclusion

Recommend Permission

9 **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Executive Head of Planning and Built Environment be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/15/01419

(A)

(B) for the following reasons/subject to the following conditions

- 1 The tree works for which consent is hereby granted shall not be carried out otherwise than in full accordance with all relevant content of BS 3998 (2010).
Reason: In the interests of tree health and safety.
- 2 The tree pruning/surgery for which consent is hereby granted shall not exceed the following: Reduce height by 2.5m and sides by 2m 2No. Common Oaks; reduce height of 1No. Hawthorn by 2m. All trees within G1 subject to TPO

1206.

Reason: To safeguard the health and well being of the trees and their importance in the local landscape.

- 3 The tree works for which consent is hereby granted shall be carried out and completed no later than 16 February 2017.

Reason: To control the timing of the works.